



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Masayuki KANNO

Application No.: 10/653,174

Filed: August 22, 2003

Docket No.: 107609.01

For: METHOD OF STERILIZING MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification;**

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims;

**Remarks.**